NEWS RELEASE

County Fire Rescues Accident Victims

Date/Time: April 27th, 2015
Location: Interstate 15 near Rasor Rd.
Incident: Traffic Collision with Extrication.

Summary:

Just before 2:30 a.m. San Bernardino County Fire received numerous reports of a traffic collision with extrication on Interstate 15 near Rasor Rd. County Fire responded with a basic life support engine company ,which responded from the town of Baker and a battalion chief which responded from the City of Victorville. Company 53 arrived on scene 10 minutes after dispatch and reported two vehicles with major damage and also at least one patient ejected onto the shoulder of the freeway.

County Fire 's Emergency Medical Technician's along with Baker Ambulance paramedics determined there were a total of six occupants between the two vehicles all with major to life threatening injuries. Upon further assessment it was determined there were two person's deceased including a 5 year old that had been ejected from the vehicle. And four patients with major injuries. After an approximate 20 minute on scene time a third patient was pronounced deceased. County Fire was able to extricate one patient with the "jaws of life" on this incident as well.

One paramedic engine company and one heavy rescue from the Marine Corps Logistics Base Fire Department in Barstow for a total of 5 personnel assisted County Fire. A total of two air ambulances responded and each helicopter transported one patient to University Medical Center Las Vegas and one patient to Loma Linda University Medical Center. Baker Ambulance transported the remaining patient to UMC Vegas as well.

The cause of the accident is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol. County Fire would like to remind residents and visitors of our County that seatbelts save lives. It is always the best practice to wear a seatbelt while in a moving vehicle.

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